STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE and Request for Comments on Scope of Environmental Impact Statement Arlington Cascade Industrial Center Planned Action



Date of Issuance: April 7, 2020

Proponent and Lead agency: City of Arlington

Proposal: The proposal is to adopt a Planned Action consistent with RCW 43.21c.440 and associated Comprehensive Plan amendments to address necessary capital investments that study implementation of the Arlington-Marysville Manufacturing Industrial Center (AMMIC) Subarea Plan. Opportunity sites identified in the subarea plan will be further evaluated for potential job growth and mix that meet the subarea plan vision, goals, and intent for jobs in aerospace, advanced manufacturing, food processing, maritime, wood products and mass timber. Job increases of 5,000 to 9,000 or more would be studied representing potential capacity under the current Comprehensive Plan (No Action) or under two Action Alternatives that vary capital investments and any necessary policy or code amendments that encourage added land use and growth consistent with the Subarea Plan. Action alternatives would also consider options for Edgecomb Creek realignment and restoration.

Location: The proposed study area is the Arlington Cascade Industrial Center that is part of the Arlington-Marysville Manufacturing Industrial Center. It encompasses about 2,291 acres surrounding and including the Arlington Municipal Airport (AWO).

The City of Arlington has determined that this proposal is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2)(c) and will be prepared. An environmental checklist or other materials indicating likely environmental impacts is available at the project website: https://www.arlingtonwa.gov/590/About-the-Cascade-Industrial-Center.

The lead agency has identified the following areas for discussion in the EIS: Natural environment, cultural resources, transportation, land use and aesthetics, and public services and utilities. Three alternatives are anticipated – No Action/current Comprehensive Plan and two action alternatives as described under the Proposal.

Scoping: Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the scope of the EIS. You may comment on alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, and licenses or other approvals that may be required.

Send written comments by 5 pm April 28, 2020 to:

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Signature

Date

Appeal process: The appeal of the Determination of Significance must be made within ten days **by 5 pm April 17, 2020** consistent with AMC 20.98.210. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact the Responsible Official to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.